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*I*N "Desire of Ages," page 822, we are told, "Whatever one's calling in life, his first interest should be to win souls to Christ." We believe that to be the motive which prompts one to take up the colporteur work. "To win souls to Christ." There could be no higher motive, and when that is the true motive of the colporteur, his work is a pleasant task, regardless of the handicaps or hardships he meets in the way. In the sight of many his work may not always be appreci-



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ated, but the seeker for souls often finds the heart already prepared by God for the bread of life and sometimes when and where he least expects it.

A few weeks ago while visiting one of our Book and Bible Houses, I was impressed to step into our church just next door to our Bible House. The day was Sunday, and I noticed several people going into the church building but could not recognize any of them. Soon a very pleasant gentleman stepped up to me and giving me a hearty handshake asked, "Are you a member of our church?" "I am a Seventh-day Adventist," was my reply, "but not a member of this particular congregation." "O, that is quite all right," he replied, "you are welcome just the same. We are Lutherans; we rent this church from the Seventh-day Adventists for our Sunday service, and I am their leader here." Well I must confess for the moment I was surprised and a little embarrassed, and I apologized. "Not at all Brother, we are only too glad to have you come in;" and in our brief conversation he

asked, "What do you think Martin Luther would do if he were here today?" "Martin Luther would no doubt continue doing what he did when he was here about four hundred years ago," was my reply, "for to my mind I think he was one of the world's greatest reformers." Then my mind went to that wonderful book "Great Controversy." I told him briefly of its contents and quoted the first paragraph of the chapter entitled, "Luther's Separation from Rome." "Foremost among those who were called to lead the church," etc. No sooner had I finished when he asked where he could find such a wonderful book on the reformation. "Have you a few minutes?" "Yes," he replied, "just a few before time for church to begin." "Then come with me."

We stepped out of the church and into the Book and Bible House, and there on a nice display table was the book "Great Controversy." I picked it up, opened it to the chapter from which I had just quoted and handed it to him to read. He read a few lines here and there, then said, "I have been looking for just such a work as that; how much does it cost?" When told the price he said he would be in the first of the month and pay for the book, which he did.

This experience taught me a valuable lesson. No matter how close we mingle with those not of our faith, they cannot read our minds, or know what wonderful literature we have for them until they are told or can see and read for themselves. It is true our books many times sell themselves, when given a chance to speak for themselves, but they need transportation, and introduction. "We must carry the publications to the people, and urge them to accept." — "Colporteur Evangelist," p.82.

The people buy when given a chance to do so. The \$67,926.19 worth of Seventh-day Adventist literature delivered by the colporteurs in the Southern Union for the first nine months of this year is evidence of that. This is a gain in deliveries of fifty per cent over the first nine months of last year, with the same number of Field Secretaries, and only a very few more

colporteurs in the field. Our great need today is for more consecrated men and women to take our heaven-born literature to the homes and give it an honorable introduction. God will bless your humble effort, and water your soul with rich experiences that will do your heart good.

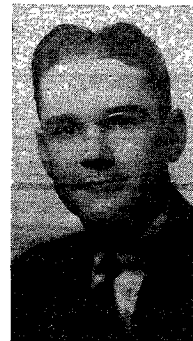
"It is a fatal mistake to suppose that the work of saving souls depends alone on the ordained minister. All to whom the heavenly inspiration has come, are put in trust with the gospel. All who receive the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow-men. For this work the church was established, and all who take upon themselves its sacred vows are thereby pledged to be co-workers with Christ. 'The Spirit and the bride say, Come, And let him that heareth say, Come.' Everyone who hears is to repeat the invitation."

A CLARION CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

A. C. McKee

Field Secretary, Carolina Conference

"God has ordained the canvassing work as a means of presenting before the people the light contained in our books, and canvassers should be impressed with the importance of bringing before the world, as fast as possible, the books necessary for their spiritual education and enlightenment. This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time."



A. C. McKEE

I firmly believe, dear friends, the blessed assurance in the above promise, penned by the servant of the Lord, emphasizing the divine ordination of the literature ministry, largely explains the remarkable progress

being made today in the distribution of our truth-filled literature. Even those not of our faith recognize it. Recently a minister of another denomination said, "I cannot understand how the Seventh-day Adventists are able to so completely sow the whole land with their gospel literature." The reason is evident to us, is it not, friends? God has commissioned that *this* special message be given at *this* particular time in the world's history, and we read from "Colporteur Evangelist," page 5, this additional assurance, "The canvassing work properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order and is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for *this* time."

Certainly God has most remarkably blessed the faithful men and women of the literature army this year as they have gone from door to door in every conference over the great Southland, and we are grateful that He has so abundantly shared those blessings with the humble colporteurs of the Carolina Conference.

When the local Field Missionary Secretaries of both the Southern and Southwestern Unions met in Nashville, Tennessee, this past spring our conference goal was set at \$17,000 in deliveries for 1941. We rejoice in the fact that God has enabled our regular and student colporteurs during the first nine months of this year to deliver books to the amount of \$19,450.22 which is a gain of \$8,824.99 over the corresponding period of last year. Naturally, we take courage from those figures, but the figures alone mean nothing in comparison to the far-reaching influence which our truth-filled publications will have in the hundreds of homes where they have been placed.

We cannot better express our gratitude to God for His blessings than to reflect the words of the Psalmist in the first verse of the 115th Psalm, "Not unto us, O Lord, Not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory, for Thy mercy and for Thy truth's sake."

May we not only request your sincere prayers, brethren and sisters, for God's continued blessing upon those who are daily devoting their time and talents to soul-saving efforts in the literature ministry, but may we earnestly invite *you* to join these faithful men and women that we may unite our efforts during the months to come for a mighty work in this important phase of gospel-giving.

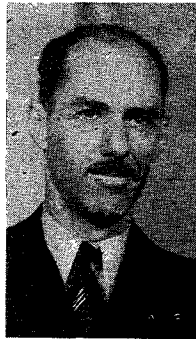
No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else.

—Dickens

IS IT NOTHING TO YOU?

P. E. Shakespeare
Field Secretary, Ky.-Tenn. Conference

In the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference there are more than four million judgment bound souls. As I have traveled this great territory these few months and have watched the people milling about with



P. E. SHAKESPEARE

little or no concern for their spiritual welfare, my soul cries out to God to send more laborers. Day by day, dear reader, you are brought in contact with individuals; they live in the same house or next door, or you meet them in one place or another. Do you see them as just people, here a laboring man or a house wife, and again a business man, or do you really look upon them as souls for whom Christ died? Is it nothing to you that hundreds, yes, thousands of these souls will go down to a Christless grave? Their blood will surely be upon our heads unless we do our utmost to lead them from sin. We need to sense the value of souls.

"One soul in Heaven's sight is worth more than a whole world of money, house and land, for the conversion of one soul we should tax our resources to the utmost." —*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 20.

"God will have men and women who will venture anything and everything to save souls." —*Life Sketches*, p. 213.

To save souls is the work of every Seventh-day Adventist and there is no more effective means to accomplish this than through our literature. If space would permit, statements could be given which place the burden upon *every* believer.

It is high time to awake to the unlimited possibilities for soul winning through our literature. As I worked with one colporteur this last week he was thrilled with experiences which prove this statement. He said, "The Spirit of God is surely working."

We came into a home while delivering. The man laid his hand on the colporteur's shoulder saying, "You surely did one thing for our home. Our two boys haven't smoked since you talked with them the day you took our order." The mother said, "That visit was worth a thousand dollars to our home."

That same day we called to deliver a book to a lady whose husband refused to let her get it, saying it was too high. The man had not seen the book so we arranged to call back. Returning, we found a hostile husband not interested at all. The woman disappeared and would not talk with us. We reasoned with the husband, made one appeal after another. The Spirit of God spoke to his heart, he confessed having lived a wild life, wasting his money and disgracing his family. He finally said, "I need the help of that book," pulled out the money and paid in full for the B. R. best binding. He was a subdued man, and as we said good-bye, he said, "I believe the end is near and I want to live to see Christ come."

Such is the work and experience of one going out with the books and periodicals.

God is calling you to go out in search of souls. He wants you to venture everything to help circulate the printed page. Now is the time. Answer the call. Write today.

OUR HOPE AND PRIVILEGE

V. R. Johnson
Field Secretary, Ala.-Miss. Conference

Every true Seventh-day Adventist cherishes the glorious hope of being among the number that are sealed with the seal of the living God. And this is right, for what we do not hope for, we certainly do

not strive for. As colporteur: sometimes remark to their prospects. "We will not be saved accidentally; we must do something about it." So we, will not be sealed accidentally; we will be sealed because we have become pure through obedience.



V. R. JOHNSON

There will be no signal from the leaders of the church as to a definite time

when this sealing begins or ends. It is an imperceptible work, done by the Spirit of God in the lives of those who are sacrificing, who have a burden for souls, and are working to save the lost. This work takes place while the four angels are holding the winds of strife, under the third angel's message. Rev. 7:1-4.—"Early Writings", p. 89. You will note also that, "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of

that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with His glory."—*Testimonies*, p. 140.

By these statements we see that the sealing work, and great activity in the publishing, or literature work, take place simultaneously and go together in the consummation of the last message of mercy to the world. In such a time as this, with the world sinking under the curse of sin and destruction, what a challenge to the individual who hopes to be sealed!

"God's people must take warning, and discern the signs of the times. The signs of Christ's coming are too plain to be doubted; and in view of these things everyone who professes the truth should be a living preacher. God calls upon all, both preachers and people, to awake. All heaven is astir. We are amid the perils of the last days. Greater perils are before us and yet we are not awake."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, page 260.

We can reach and save many by the use of our literature. This is God's own plan for quickly reaching the multitudes. The only obstacle that stands between the church and the coming of Christ, are the members that are doing nothing. Are you among that number? If so, why not find a place in the Lord's work by selling truth-filled literature. Many make their entire livelihood, as self-supporting missionaries of the printed page

The believers especially of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, will be interested to know that during the first nine months of the year, our colporteurs have delivered over \$10,000 worth of literature. Three students will receive either full or fractional scholarships. One student during thirteen weeks, delivered \$1,020 worth of literature. One of our regular colporteurs, during the first nine months of the year has delivered \$1,600 worth of truth-filled literature. There really is no question about the success of the literature work; men and women both are succeeding in it.

If you do not have the faith now to take part in the work of helping others to know the truth; what makes you think that you will have that faith when times become critical and there is persecution? It is our privilege now, to work for the finishing of the task.

"He who becomes a child of God should henceforth look upon himself as a link in the chain let down to save the world, one with Christ in His plan of mercy, going forth with Him to seek and save the lost."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 105.

ONE—ONE THOUSAND

C. E. Weaks

Mgr. Book Dept. Southern Publishing Assn.

We often speak of the greatness of the task facing us, the task of giving the message to the unwarned millions of the Southland. And we would not wish to say anything here that would minimize in your mind the greatness nor the seriousness of the responsibility entrusted to us, for surely this is a field where the words of our Saviour apply with peculiar force, "The harvest . . . great . . . the laborers few." But the task is not an impossible one. The Lord of the harvest did not assign us our task and then fail to make provision for its accomplishment.

In the Southern Union Conference we have a population of 19,172,972. According to the latest figures we have a church membership of 19,124. In other words we have one church member for each one thousand of our population. In Joshua 23:10, we have the promise, "one man of you shall chase a thousand; for the Lord your God is He that fighteth for you as He hath promised you." Surely this is a promise that should be sufficient to give us courage for the tasks before us.



C. E. WEAKS

It is interesting to break down our figures a little more. Some families are large, some are small. It would probably be a very conservative estimate to use four to a family as an average. On that basis of reckoning, there would be two hundred and fifty families to a worker who was assigned the task of warning one thousand persons. Now really, that task doesn't sound like an impossible one, does it? If I were to start out this morning and warn ten homes today, warn another ten tomorrow, ten day-after-tomorrow, and continue this program for twenty-five days, I would complete my task of warning my 1,000 persons. So it is evident that if every Seventh-day Adventist in the Southern Union were desperately in earnest, and determined to go right out as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, and place himself where the Lord could fight for him, "as He hath promised," very easily could be fulfilled the promises, so far as this field is concerned, "the final movements will be rapid ones," and "He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness."

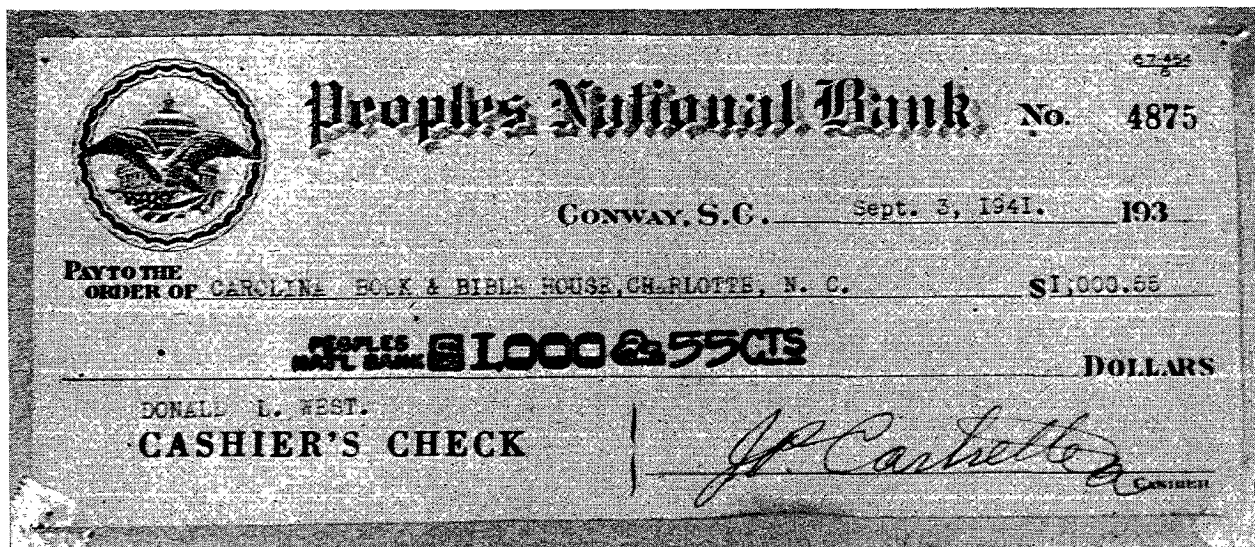
Of course if we were to reach the above very desirable goal, it would mean a redistribution of our forces so that the entire field could be covered; it would mean that every one of our 19,124 members would be taking part. This is too much to expect. Some cannot, to the extent mentioned above; others unfortunately who might, will not.

The quick work that God will do in these last days is represented by the "other angel" of Revelation 18. We are told that the work of that angel is to be largely accomplished through the work of our publishing houses. The publishing house established by God to serve this great Southland is the Southern Publishing Association of Nashville. Have we not reached the time when the great presses of this institution should be groaning night and day under the burden of turning out the speaking pages of truth, to supply the demands made upon them by the missionary activities of our people in the Southland?

The report of the work of the S. P. A. for the first nine months of 1941 has just been placed on my desk. It is an interesting document. It shows an increase of forty-one per cent in subscription book business as compared to the same period of 1940. In trade books, the increase 108 per cent; in tracts, 169 per cent. We thank our people of the Southern Union who have had a part in making such a cheering report possible. With the world stirred by a spirit of inquiry; with money flowing as it has not flowed for years; with such a short period of time left us for the finishing of God's work, surely it is not too much to expect that even this good report will be greatly improved before the end of 1941. The holiday season is before us. Hundreds of our people can do a good work for God by going to their neighbors with an assortment of our good books that many would be glad to purchase as gifts. And are there not scores who feel the call of God to enter our great "dark counties" of the Southland, counties where lives not a representative of this message, to work as evangelistic colporteurs?

THE HOUR IS LATE. IT IS OUR HOUR OF OPPORTUNITY.

"It is chiefly through books that we enjoy intercourse with superior minds, and these invaluable means of communication are in the reach of all. In the best books, great men talk to us, give us their most precious thoughts, and pour their souls into ours."—*Channing*

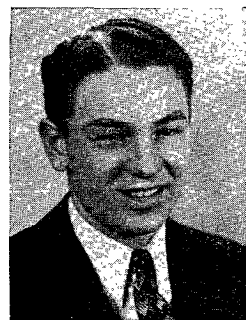


Facsimile of check paid by Donald L. West to the Carolina Book and Bible House after having finished delivering his books sold during the summer vacation.

AN IDEAL VACATION

Donald L. West, *Student Colporteur*

Yes, I am back in school now, carrying a full class-work program, but my mind still drifts back to a few weeks ago when I was enjoying the best experience of my life thus far. I can never forget the happy days spent in South Carolina.



DONALD L. WEST

Perhaps you know by now to what I refer, but if not, I want to say that it is the best work on earth for a young man or woman,—the colporteur work. Two years ago it seemed impossible that I would go canvassing this past summer, for then I was completely satisfied to work here at the College in a factory. But God always knows best. This past spring, at the institute, I was definitely impressed to “lay aside every burden,” and go out to spread our truth-filled literature. So with God’s help and guidance I arrived in good old Carolina in a few days after school was out.

It was a new experience to me, for I had always been so timid that I could hardly meet anyone and feel at ease. So I prayed especially for strength from on high. It

came from the very start. That first day with the field secretary, who went with me to show the best methods, was certainly a great help. At the end of the day I had given but two canvasses, and there was no order to show for either of them. The next day, which was Friday, I was to go out alone. So early Friday morning, after prayer for God’s protection and blessing, I started my motorcycle, and went out, trusting God for success. This was truly the grandest experience I had ever had. Every one was very nice to me and respected the work I had to show them. Even if my sales were not so great the first day, the satisfaction and pleasure in seeing people wish to know more about their Bibles and the plan of salvation was sufficient to make up for it all. I rested that Sabbath with a satisfaction in my heart to know I was doing the Lord’s will. I believe a young person can be closer to the Lord in the colporteur work than in any other work, save the actual preaching of the message.

The next week I determined to work harder than I ever had before in my life. On Monday, the second day alone, I worked thirteen hours and came to a lonely home to spend the night. When I figured up the day’s sales, it totaled forty-nine dollars. I was truly happy, but I gave God the glory for the day’s success, “for without Him, we can do nothing.” Each day was begun and finished with God on my side or success would never have attended the efforts.

No work should be so rushed, that we can not take some time at the beginning and end of each day for meditation and prayer to our greatest Leader.

But skies were not always blue. I remember one day I went out with the sole purpose of taking many orders. I had thought I had become a pretty good salesman by then. But I’ll say again, man without God is not enough. At three

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COMPARATIVE REPORT FOR NINE MONTHS

Conference	Colpt.		Orders		Deliveries	
	'40	'41	1940	1941	1940	1941
Ala.-Miss.	15	16	\$1,550.88	\$1,603.45	\$ 849.15	\$ 1,939.30
Carolina	30	34	1,796.35	2,617.45	6,435.67	11,782.73
Florida	19	20	1,691.97	1,086.40	1,291.37	1,033.10
Ga.-Cumb.	21	17	1,195.40	2,484.35	3,001.88	4,095.46
Ky.-Tenn.	12	19	1,004.04	1,067.67	974.22	740.15
UNION TOTALS	97	106	7,238.64	8,859.31	12,552.29	19,590.74
				22% Gain		56% Gain

Conference	Orders			Deliveries		
	1940	1941	Gain	1940	1941	Gain
Ala.-Miss.	\$16,676.37	\$22,139.71	33%	\$ 7,263.66	\$10,205.42	40%
Carolina	28,594.28	33,932.18	19"	10,625.23	19,450.22	83"
Florida	18,505.41	15,550.80	16"	9,459.42	11,157.21	18"
Ga.-Cumb.	19,152.28	28,923.30	51"	11,160.53	17,450.86	56"
Ky.-Tenn.	12,460.18	16,024.92	29"	6,636.76	9,662.48	46"
UNION TOTALS	95,388.52	116,570.91	22	45,145.60	67,926.19	50

It is interesting to note that in 1940 for the first nine months our deliveries were 47 per cent of the orders taken for that period; while in 1941 we have delivered 58 per cent of all orders taken for the first nine months. We are headed in the right direction. I. M. Evans

o'clock in the afternoon I had not taken a single order and had not been invited to dinner either. This was the first day I had experienced such a thing, so I was very discouraged. I decided to go into town, to my room, rest a little, get some dinner, and talk it over with my partner who was ill that day. After lunch, I requested that we have prayer before I tried going out again. So we asked God to give me courage to press on and trust in Him for success during the remainder of the day. Before I went to bed that night, three orders had been taken and I had a good Christian home in which to spend the night. It showed me how weak I was within my own strength, and how God is waiting to help us if we only ask Him.

One thing I consider means much toward success is sticking to duty. So many attractions call one if he isn't on guard, especially when located as we were, only twenty miles from Myrtle Beach. Once in a while my partner and I would ride down to take a dip in the ocean. But the first time I saw the ocean, I stayed in too long, but after that first good "blistering" I decided it not best to come too often!

I know "The Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them" for in all the miles from school to Carolina, riding all summer, and an enjoyable return journey, I never received a single scratch caused by any accident whatsoever on my motorcycle. Now as I think back over this past summer, I breathe a prayer of thanks to God for blessing and keeping me as He did. In

spite of an unbalanced diet, and irregular sleeping hours, I never lost a pound this summer. Besides the \$1,285 worth of books that were delivered this summer, I received another \$1,000 worth of experience for which I will always be thankful.

With God's help, and if it be His will I will be right back as soon as school is out this coming spring.

OUR DAY

J. R. McWilliam

Field Secretary, Ga.-Cumb. Conference

Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people. . . " Isa. 60:1-2.



J. R. McWILLIAM

Again, in the sixth chapter of Genesis the Lord repeats the following words, "The earth was filled with violence," and as it was in the days of Noah so shall it be in our day. "The sins that called for vengeance upon the antediluvian world, exist today."

—"Patriarchs and Prophets," p. 101.

... Anarchy is

seeking to sweep away all law, not only divine but human. The centralization of

wealth and power; the vast combinations for the enriching of the few at the expense of the many; the combinations of the poorer classes for the defense of their interests and claims; the spirit of unrest, of riot and bloodshed; the world-wide dissemination of the same teachings that led to the French Revolution,—all are tending to involve the whole world in a struggle similar to that which convulsed France."—"Education," p. 228.

And it is all coming in OUR DAY, but we have the light which will dispel this darkness. The Lord gave us our literature for such a time as this. If we could get every employer to place the *Watchman* in the hands of his workmen what a different story would be written. That magazine arriving at his home each month and the whole family reading its contents would fortify them against the subversive elements in the labor organizations. And, with America and Britain helping Russia today, what will be the conditions in our land when Communism rules labor? The fifth chapter of James will be literally fulfilled. Shall we stand by and wait until it is done to tell people about it? Any person who would study our literature, large books, small books, magazines or tracts, today, would be impressed to accept its teachings. The Lord is calling for men and women to hurry to these souls before it is too late, with our literature. Surely this is OUR DAY; we are the light of the world.

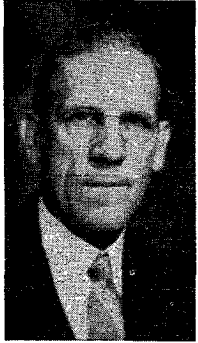
"Beware of despairing about yourself."

SERVICE THE NEED OF THE HOUR

A. E. Deyo

*Field Secretary, Florida Conference**"Gospel Workers"* Page 513. The Reward of Service.

"While the great and final reward is given at Christ's coming, true-hearted service for God brings a reward, even in this life. All who surrender themselves to God in unselfish service for humanity are in co-operation with the Lord of glory."



A. E. DEYO

The following is an experience that we were privileged to have last week:

We met a lady who, after hearing our canvass on "Bible Readings" said, "You should see my book. It reads something like your book."

She brought it out and it was an old edition of "Our Day." She said, "While in my home when still a little girl, Mother bought this book from an agent and when I was married, I asked her if I might have the book. The more I read it, the more I see light in it. I would not trade it for any other book." We are sure this lady will see the truth in its entirety before it is too late.

In "Gospel Workers," page 519, it says, "What rejoicing there will be as those redeemed ones meet and greet those who had a burden in their behalf!"

The Adventist colporteur who sold the book to this lady may never know what his service did for a soul, but on page 512 of "Gospel Workers" we read, ". . . Yet we may not be permitted to witness their results." The Saviour assures us that our work is noted in heaven.

Another experience we had was meeting a lady who told us that two girls selling the book "Bible Foot Lights" stayed three days in her home and a man brought them there and went on his way. Later he returned and helped the girls sell their books. "I wish I knew where they are," said the lady to the writer. "They saved my life, for the day they came to my place I had lost \$10,000 and all my plans were laid to turn on the gas and end it all. Then there came a knock at my door and the man wanted me to take in these girls. I noticed that neither the girls nor the man would eat meat at the meals they had while with me. I will never forget their Christian

actions and behavior while they were with me."

The writer said, "Lady, I am the man who placed those girls in your home in 1921 and I can tell you where they are." I never saw a happier lady when she heard that word from those colporteur girls. She said, "Write them and tell them I have never forgotten them, nor have I forgotten their Christian characters. Give them my love."

Dear reader, the very thing that Sister White wrote in a *General Conference Bulletin*, 1895, page 238, was fulfilled in this experience for it is quoted, "The people who purchase a book will read it, having before them the mental photograph of the face, conduct and spirit of the man who sold it to them, and the silent influence will weigh heavily in the decision they make, for or against the truth."

CALLED BACK TO THE WORK

The Lord designs that the light which He has given on the Scriptures shall shine forth in clear, bright rays; and it is the duty of our canvassers to put forth a strong, united effort that God's design may be accomplished. A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work. He calls for volunteers who will put all their energies and enlightenment into the work, helping wherever there is opportunity. The Master calls for every one to do the part given him, according to his ability. Who will go forth to labor in the wisdom and grace and love of Christ for those nigh and afar off? Who will sacrifice ease and pleasure, and enter the places of error, superstition, and darkness, working earnestly and perseveringly, speaking the truth in simplicity, praying in faith, doing house-to-house labor? Who at this time will go forth without the camp, imbued with the power of the Holy Spirit, bearing reproach for Christ's sake, opening the Scriptures to the people, and calling them to repentance?

God has His workmen in every age. The call of the hour is answered by the coming of the man. Thus when the divine voice cries, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" the response will come, "Here am I; send me." Isa. 6:8. Let all who labor effectually in the canvassing field feel in their hearts that they are doing the work of the Lord in ministering to souls who know

not the truth for this time. They are sounding the note of warning in the highways and byways to prepare a people for the great day of the Lord, which is so soon to break upon the world. We have no time to lose. We must encourage this work. Who will go forth now with our publications? The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man and woman who will co-operate with divine power. All the requisite talent, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on. A great work is to be done in our world, and human agencies will surely respond to the demand. The world must hear the warning. When the call comes, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" send back the answer clear and distinct, "Here am I; send me."—"Testimonies," Vol. 6, pages 329-333.

Work as Paul worked. Wherever he was, whether before scowling Pharisee or Roman authority, rich or poor, learned or ignorant, the cripple at Lystra or the convicted sinners in the Macedonian dungeon, he lifted up Christ as the One who hates sin and loves the sinner, the One who bore our sins that He might impart to us His righteousness.—"Manual," page 34.

THE COLPORTEUR

Robert Bruce Thurber

The Colporteur smiles as he bids good-byes
To the homey group with tearful eyes,
He hides the ache in his heart, and goes
To meet a world that the worker knows.

A world that at best is hard to meet
On the country road, or city street;
A world that smiles on the men who roam
And makes them long for the folks at home.

But some glad day in that home on high
We'll all forget how to say good-bye;
No more sad partings our joy will mar,
We'll be at home where the angels are.

The Colporteur then will his mansions build,
Enjoy the lands that his hands have tilled;
And live for aye with his loved ones dear
The home sweet home of the worker here.

ALABAMA MISSISSIPPI

1703 Twenty-fourth Ave., Meridian, Miss.
H. W. Walker, President
J. M. Jansen, Sec.-Treas.

WORKERS' MEETING

A very inspiring Workers' meeting was held in the white church at Meridian, Monday afternoon, October 13. A survey was made on the Harvest Ingathering, and it was concluded that with the churches which have not yet raised their goals reporting, and from other sums of money in sight, that our conference will doubtless exceed \$19,000 this year. All of the workers were very enthusiastic over the results of the campaign due to the seriousness of the times and our need as a movement to reach into all the fields of the world as quickly as possible. There was a strong desire expressed that our people might feel the burden of this campaign and do everything possible to reach at least a Minuteman goal, and if there yet remains any place unworked, that we do not allow the year to close until we have solicited the people in that territory.

The Week of Sacrifice was presented to the workers and the response was very encouraging when every worker present stated that he would give a full week's wage. The attitude of the workers seemed to express a real desire to enter into the Week of Sacrifice this year. It was hoped also that all our lay members follow our workers in this sacrifice offering. We want to appeal to the expressed desire of those assembled, that our people wherever possible give larger sums of money to this offering than ever before.

Some time was given to the matter of the coming Thirteenth Sabbath offering. It was voted to take it up on December 20, and the ministers are planning with their churches to make it one of the best Thirteenth Sabbath offerings ever taken. Plans have already been laid in many of the churches for the program, and we are receiving cards and letters constantly from all parts of the field expressing a deep interest.

There is probably no time in the history of this work when conditions generally have been so critical, and yet God is pleased to give us one of the most prosperous periods that we have ever known as a nation. It seems that this must be the great opportunity for Seventh-day Adventists to show their loyalty to the work, and we hope that every one of our believers will accept this privilege of giving faithfully that this message may be sounded throughout the earth. H. W. Walker

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These are written by one of our sanitarium physicians, who presents the subject of water treatments in a way that will be of benefit to all.

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INVESTMENT

Gadsden Sabbath school had their Investment fund program Sabbath, October 11. Their goal was ten dollars but twenty-three dollars, forty-six cents was turned in. One of the new members invested a set of hens' eggs. They were safely hatched 100 per cent and also grew to maturity.

Brother Mazart, who has charge of the work at Gadsden, in reporting about this Investment, said that this family never had success in raising chickens until he invested this setting of eggs for missions. Even the hawks would pass his hens this year and swoop down on the neighbor's chickens.

Other Sabbath schools are planning on having their Investment program in October. October and November are Investment months.

TITHE CORNER

"A worker in the South China Union relates an interesting story concerning a deacon in one of the churches—a man who is unfailingly faithful in the payment of tithes and in making offerings. This brother owned a cow which in a time of epidemic among animals became sick. Convinced that the cow would die unless the Lord intervened, the brother prayed that it might be spared to him. He reasoned that unless the Lord helped him at this time he would lose the cow; therefore its restoration would be the same as if he received a new cow.

"The cow recovered, and on the following Sabbath our brother brought to the church a tithe of \$100 on the cow, and also another tithe of \$123; and in presenting these he inducted to the congregation the instruction and the promise of Malachi 3: 7-12. When he had finished reading, twelve members of the congregation arose and brought forward tithes amounting in all to sixty-four dollars. Among these were inquirers, widows, and indigent women. And not only did they willingly pay this money to the Lord, but pledged themselves to be faithful tithe-payers in the future."
—"China Division Reporter."

CHURCH HYMNAL NOTICE

You have been planning for sometime to get a new church hymnal. Don't put it off any longer if you plan to turn in your old "Christ in Song" for thirty-seven and one half cents credit. Your last chance to do so is November 15.

The brown cover is one dollar, fifty cents and the black cover especially sewed for piano use is two dollars.

Order from the ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE

You can still enroll your boy or girl in the school of God's appointing if you have not already done so. We see evidences on every hand where the work of the humble Christian teacher is being blessed as she deals with the lambs of the flock. Your children should be receiving instruction in a school ordained of God to help save the precious heritage, in these strenuous days.

CAROLINA

Box 930, Charlotte, North Carolina
H. E. Lysinger, President
R. S. Blackburn, Sec.-Treas.

DRIFTING

As we have come to the last quarter of the year, we are reminded that our church records should be checked for the last time in 1941. In going over the names on our church lists for the last time this year, it may be found that some of our brothers and sisters who were once faithful have become indifferent or careless, or have given up entirely, and openly declare their intentions to walk no more with us.

Such a condition in the church should lead us to examine ourselves. We are told that "we ought to pay the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard for fear we should drift away from them." Hebrews 2:1 (Weymouth's Translation).

There is many a person today who is far away from his former Christian experience, not because he desires to give up the Christian warfare, but because he has imperceptibly been slipping from the standards of righteousness he once believed and held dear.

"It is a solemn truth that many who have been zealous in proclaiming the third angel's message are now becoming listless and indifferent! The line of demarcation between worldlings and many professed Christians is almost indistinguishable. Many who once were earnest Adventists are conforming to the world, to its practices, its customs, its selfishness." —"Testimonies," Vol. 8 p. 118, 119.

Our life may be likened to a ship. We are on the sea of life. A boat that is anchored does not drift. A soul that has a real hope in Christ will not drift. "That hope we have as an anchor of the soul—an anchor that can neither break nor drag." Hebrews 6:19 (Weymouth's Translation).

Our hearts are always saddened when we hear of those who have stumbled and lost sight of the mark and of Jesus and have fallen off the path into the dark and wicked world below.

May these experiences be both a warning and a challenge to us to renew our consecration to Christ, that we may be able to restore those who have drifted away. No true Christian should see a brother fall, and not make an effort to restore him. The most of our backsliders can be restored if we awaken to our responsibilities in Christ.

H. E. Lysinger

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Myron Harvey

NEWS NOTES

Elder B. M. Preston of the Southern Union conference has recently spent a few days in the Carolina Conference. He spoke at the Charlotte church on Sabbath, October 11.

Elder W. L. Hyatt opened a series of meetings in Kernersville with an overflow crowd on Sunday evening, October 12.

Elder R. L. Winders has taken down his tent in Kannapolis, where he has been holding a successful series of meetings.

FLORIDA

Box 1313, Orlando, Florida
L. C. Evans, President
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WITH THE COLPORTEURS

My work last week was with Brother Barnett, Brother Plunkett and Brother Wynn, working Port Tampa, Manatee, and Sarasota.

We found people very much stirred over the war conditions, but were also book-minded. Several orders were taken, cash in advance. One lady, it seemed, was having lots of trouble, and it was hard to interest her, but at last Brother Wynn helped her to see the need of a book; she gave her order, one dollar deposit, and a sack of ripe lemons right off the tree.

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time at the magazine work, write to our office. Address: *Watchman Magazine* Leader, Box 1313, Orlando, Florida.

A. E. Deyo

NEWS NOTES

Although our Ingathering campaign in Florida was only launched officially on October 4; several churches are over the top including Kissimmee, Tampa and Bradenton. Miami plans to be over by the close of October, and more than \$800 was raised last week. Although without a pastor at the present, Jacksonville is pressing right on, thanks to the faithful leadership of Brethren Flynt and Romedy. West Palm Beach, also without a pastor, launched their campaign last week under the leadership of Brother Wickman, the local elder.

Unfailing signs of fall are in the air,—colporteurs who have been away during the summer are returning to take up work in Florida for the winter. We were glad to welcome Brother and Sister W. A. Weaver a few days ago, and they will be located in St. Petersburg for the present. Miss Alberta Mack has also returned from New York, and we expect Brother and Sister Waldo very soon.

Several of our workers are out of the office at the present time, Elder Evans and Mr. Schneider attending Fall Council, and Elder Chapman assisting various churches with their Ingathering work.

Elder Chapman will be at Lake Worth and Belle Glade next Sabbath, and will be in the West Palm Beach district the following week helping with the Ingathering work.

Elder and Mrs. Guild, who for some time have been living at Fruitland Park, are moving to Orlando and will soon be nicely settled at 2512 Sanitarium Avenue.

Miss Stella Mae Beacham is back from India, and at present is at her home in West Palm Beach.

Professor and Mrs. Gaitens and Betty Jo are enjoying a vacation in the Smokies.

RADIO LOG

Broadcast by F. W. Harvey starts on Station WSPB Palmetto, Florida, at 5:45 Sunday, October 12—1450 on the dial.

"God never leads His children otherwise than they would choose to be led, if they could see the end from the beginning, and discern the glory of the purpose which they are fulfilling as coworkers with Him." "Desire of Ages," p. 225.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

547 Cherokee Ave., S. E., Atlanta, Ga.
R. I. Keate, President
C. G. Ortner, Sec.-Treas.

MY TRIP

Sabbath, October 11, I spent with the Bristol church. This church has reached its goal in the Harvest Ingathering and is now planning to go to work aggressively in a Community Bible School program. Sabbath afternoon I spoke at a Parent-Teacher Association meeting.

Sunday morning, after doing some visiting, I left for Elizabethton and was pleased to see that the church building there was nearing the condition where the membership desired to have it dedicated. Elder Johnson has asked that we plan for its dedication the last Sabbath of November. When they finish with the decorating they will have a very pretty church in a nice location in Elizabethton.

While in Greeneville I stopped long enough to have a short interview with Brother S. C. Harris. I was glad to learn that where he held his effort at Newport they are having a nice group out to Sabbath services and he is confidently looking forward to a number being taken into the church. I was glad to see Doctor Coolidge and Brother Bottomley. The institution at Greeneville, as usual, is enjoying a very heavy patronage. Brother Bottomley is planning to take a medical course and expects to leave for Washington about the first of the year to take pre-medical work.

I stopped long enough at Morristown to see the condition of the church building there. This building is not finished but it is being used by the believers. We are expecting they will soon put forth renewed efforts to finish it up and we hope it will not be long before it is ready for dedication.

From Morristown I returned to Atlanta.
R. I. Keate

"STEPS TO CHRIST"

I have recently been rereading "Steps to Christ." Steps to Christ in this life always lead to steps with Christ. The church is today writing a book on this very subject. The record is being kept by angel hands. Its deeds of service and sacrifice are written with a golden pen or graven deep on a granite page for uncounted millenniums of time to behold. Do you wish to link your arms with the lovely Christ and walk with Him? "In doing as

Jesus did when on earth, we shall walk in His steps." Think of what Christ accomplished in only three and a half years. Many of us have been in the truth for many years. Is it not time to bestir ourselves and work as He worked? Surely the least we could do would be to hasten to our neighbor and place in his hands an Ingathering paper. Surely none would want it recorded forever in heaven's book that in the crisis year, 1941, when the work was in need, that they failed to do their share of Ingathering (twelve dollars, twenty-seven cents). While the conference has its goal of \$20,000, yet less than half of the members are now Minutemen. It may be that your church has its goal. That is fine, but do you, as an individual, have at least twelve-dollars, twenty-seven cents this year? If not, remember it is not too late to finish up.

The General Conference has called for a ten per cent overflow this year. Won't you help to make this possible by raising the balance of your Minuteman goal before October 25? This Sabbath of October 25, the Fall Council will be in session and we wish to wire our President in Battle Creek that you and others in the conference have rallied and brought in the Minuteman goals and that the conference has its ten per cent overflow. On FALL COUNCIL MINUTEMAN SABBATH, OCTOBER 25, an appeal will be made in your church for all the church to rise as Minutemen. Please walk the road of service with Christ the next few days and be prepared to report your share in hand at that time. He needs you, and He cares for you.

P. C. Cardey

MACON TABERNACLE EFFORT

We are to open a tabernacle effort in Macon, Georgia, October 26, at 7:30 P. M., at the corner of Napier and Birch, three blocks west of the Lanier High School for Boys. Our lot is in a fine residential section of Macon. After we had secured our building permit and signed a lease on the lot for three months, some of the people in the neighborhood began to file protests with the city officials against our putting up the tabernacle there. So Brother Harder and the writer went to visit the two homes making the main opposition. In each home we were invited in, had a good visit explaining our work and the nature of our meetings, and then had prayer with these people. With tears in their eyes the lady in each home thanked us for our call and our prayer. Satan certainly is angry. Please pray most earnestly for us and the effort here.

We are to begin broadcasting over Radio station WBML, 1420 Kilocycles, Thursday, October 23, 4:45 P. M., and continue each Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday at the same hour. All our people near Macon should "listen in" and please sit right down after the program is over and write us a letter or card of appreciation in care of the station. This will do much to give us standing with the station management. Ask your friends and neighbors to listen to these programs and also suggest they write us if they appreciate them.

The first evening in the Tabernacle I will give an illustrated lecture on the life of Christ, and over the radio I will speak on the subject of, "Is Christianity Going into Eclipse?" Associated with the writer and his wife in this effort there will be Elder S. R. Haynes, Brother and Sister Harder, Miss Carroll, and Charley Lane. We need your prayers.

A. C. Griffin

CANVASSING, AN EDUCATION

"There are more difficulties in this work than in some other branches of business; but the lessons learned, the tact and discipline acquired, will fit you for other fields of usefulness, where you can minister to souls. Those who poorly learn their lesson, and are careless and abrupt in approaching persons, would show the same want of tact and skill in dealing with minds, should they enter the ministry . . ."—"Christian Education," p. 93

Young people, no matter what you intend to make your life work, your experience in the canvassing work will be an invaluable aid to you. It will enrich your Christian education. Write for information to: J. R. McWilliam, 547 Cherokee Ave., SE, Atlanta, Georgia.

NEWS NOTES

The march of victory of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference churches continues. It appears now as if the Ingathering spirit will sweep nearly every church to final victory. Success crowns the efforts of three more churches this week end,—the hard working little company of Celina reached its goal. Augusta, after some handicaps during the early stages of the campaign, has reached its mark and now plans to get a ten per cent overflow. The fourth largest church in the conference, Knoxville, this week achieved a notable victory. This has been one of the shortest and most successful campaigns in Knoxville's history. Collegedale has made tre-

menhous progress in the last two weeks, bringing in nearly \$900 in this period. One more solid week of work should bring them victory. All have co-operated with Professor S. D. Brown. Both Atlanta churches will be over by the time this is printed, even though we have not received a report, we presume Savannah is over by now. Thus the conference continues its march of victory toward the ten per cent overflow.

The rustling leaves of fall remind us that Investment time is here again. We hope the gentle fall sounds will be tokens of Investment dollars on their way for Investment day. At the recent conference session, it was decided to make every possible effort this year to reach the sum of \$1,500 for Investment. Investment goals have been sent to every Sabbath school and every superintendent has promised to hold an Investment program in the near future. At that time we ask for these faithful Sabbath school officers your hearty support. If you do not have a good Investment plan in operation, why not start it so as to have the most bountiful response your Sabbath school has ever known. Let's invest while we can.

Doctor J. O. Ewart writes that the church building in Celina is ready for dedication. He states that the church was started November 19, 1940 and he would like to have it dedicated on Sabbath, November 15. They have rock-veneered this church building and have decorated the inside. The members feel that they have the prettiest little church building in town. We are arranging for the dedication at the time suggested.

We are now earnestly urging every member who has not had a part in this Harvest Ingathering campaign, and those who have had some part but have not done their best, to all unite in getting their individual goal. We are over the top and are happy in this fact, but we feel still greater things can be done and we are urging you to help us raise an additional ten per cent of our goal.

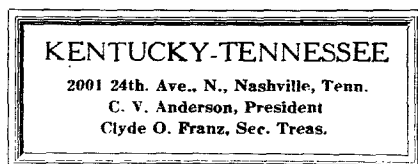
Two more of Sister Phillippi's readers have presented themselves for church membership. Sister Phillippi now has a Sabbath school functioning in Americus. We are looking forward to a church organization there following Brother Conmack's effort at that place.

Brother C. A. Wilhelm's meetings in Griffin, Georgia, opened Sunday night, October 12, under quite favorable circumstances. Quite a good representation was present from Atlanta. Brother

Wilhelm's entire service was on the air over WXEU.

Brother J. G. Conmack's meetings opened in the hall of the Hotel Windsor, Americus, Georgia, Tuesday night, Oct. 14. We haven't had a report of the attendance at this writing.

Elder J. C. Thomas' tent effort opened in Americus, October 12. At this time we haven't received word as to his attendance.



TWO INTERESTING FEDERATION MEETINGS

On Wednesday and Thursday, October 8 and 9, the Dorcas Federations of Northern Kentucky, Central Tennessee and Southern Kentucky had a meeting. They were interesting meetings indeed. The attendance at both was quite large. Several societies were represented in each.

At the Northern Kentucky meeting which convened in Louisville, Mrs. A. W. Ott presided. One of the outstanding presentations was a talk by Mrs. Strickland, the wife of the pastor of the Louisville church. She spoke on the women of China. She had samples of some of the very fine handiwork which was produced by some of the Dorcas societies in China. A very interesting health talk was also given.

This is a large and active federation and effective things are planned for the future. The next meeting will be held in Covington early in January.

At the meeting for Southern Kentucky and Central Tennessee, Mrs. C. V. Anderson was in the chair. Here, too, a very interesting and helpful program was presented. One of the high lights of the day was a talk by the secretary of the Nashville Chapter of the American Red Cross. She commended our Dorcas workers on the very fine work which they are doing, and solicited their co-operation in the good work of the Red Cross. This federation as well as the one in Northern Kentucky are co-operating in several phases of Red Cross work.

Mrs. Scott, of Madison College, also presented an interesting talk on welfare work. The next meeting of this federation will be held also in January.

H. E. McClure

The grand essentials of happiness are something to do, someone to love, and something to hope for.—Chalmers.

NOTICE

The second all-day session of the Associated Missionary Volunteer Societies of Central Tennessee and South-central Kentucky will convene at Madison College, Sabbath, November 1, at 9:30. A. M. Bordeaux, Chestnut Hill, Columbia, Dickson, Fountain Head, Kingfield, Lawrenceburg, Madison, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Powder Mills, and Sand Hill young people are all members of this organization and you are urged to make plans to spend the day in this gathering. Bring your own lunches and if possible stay for the social evening after the Sabbath.

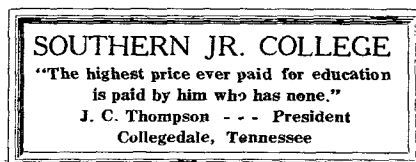
One delegate from each society is expected to attend the Association committee meeting in the afternoon. Be sure you are represented.

NEWS NOTES

All of our schools have opened on time and with every school supplied with a teacher. Both of these facts are somewhat unusual this year in that church school teachers are a genuine scarcity all over North America, and in that locally our state has been threatened with an epidemic of infantile paralysis.

We have a strong working force of teachers who are putting their hearts and souls into their work. We only ask that every parent and church member will co-operate to make Christian education all that it ought to be in the home, church, and school.

Our enrollment this year bids fare to equal that of last September. We trust that with the strong support of our district leaders it will even exceed the fine gains made a year ago.



A MESSAGE TO THE PARENTS OF THE SOUTHERN UNION

Today, Sabbath, October 11, communion service was held at the Collegedale church. We were deeply stirred by all that took place. As we observed a large number of fine-appearing young men and young women, our minds traveled to the hundreds of Adventist homes and churches throughout the Southern Union, and we felt that it was a great pity there were not several times as many present to enjoy the sweet influences of this sacred service and the advantages afforded by this Christian institution.

Under the leadership of Professor H. A. Miller, our vested choir of about fifty young people sang beautifully the "Pass-over" anthem by Eelden. This was followed by a brief talk on the communion service by Elder H. F. Snide. Preceding these features, there had been silent prayer by the ministers, the singing of the doxology by the congregation, an invocation by the speaker of the hour, the presentation of tithes and offerings, and an offertory response by the choir. Following the singing of "At the Cross" by the congregation, prayer was offered by Professor Brown, concluded by the Lord's prayer in concert.

We are always deeply impressed by communion services, not only by our thoughts of the broken body and the shed blood of our Lord and Saviour, but by the large number of students who participate in the service of humility and who partake of the wine and the bread. We know adult Adventists who are not too anxious to participate in these ordinances, particularly the former; so it is impressive to see young people, some of them almost children, serving each other in the ordinance of humility and partaking of the wine and bread.

We are glad for the many students who are with us this year, but we know that the number could be and should be much larger. And today as we watched these fine young people in their worship and in their participation in the services of the Lord's house, we could not but wish to have present hundreds of others, just as fine, precious, and deserving, who are in the high schools and colleges of the land, or in their homes, in shops, in offices, or on the farm.

There is no other place in all this world, especially in these days of crisis, where it is so necessary that our young people be, to be protected and prepared for service, than in a Seventh-day Adventist school. Southern Junior College is in position to co-operate with any who wish to attend. God has blessed this institution with a splendid faculty, a matchless location, with full recognition, and unrivaled opportunities for self-help; so there would seem to be no good reason for any Southern young person not continuing his education in this institution of God's planting.

J. C. Thompson

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"The means in our possession may not seem to be sufficient for the work; but if we will move forward in faith, believing in the all-sufficient power of God, abundant resources will open before us. If the work be of God, He Himself will provide the means for its accomplishment. He

will reward honest, simple reliance upon Him. The little that is wisely and economically used in the service of the Lord of heaven will increase in the very act of imparting. In the hand of Christ the small supply of food remained undiminished until the famished multitude were satisfied

If we go to the source of all strength, with our hands of faith outstretched to receive, we shall be sustained in our work, even under the most forbidding circumstances, and shall be enabled to give to others the bread of life."—"Desire of Ages," p. 370.

DO NOT SUBMIT TO A MISTAKE IN CLASSIFICATION

Some Seventh-day Adventist selective service registrants have been wrongly classified; and they have submitted to it. They ought not to do so. They do not need to be belligerent about it; but no man is required to submit to a wrong classification.

This wrong classification is with reference to the claim for non-combatant service. We have endeavored to distribute information to all of our people in all of the churches, that will be helpful in making out registrant's Questionnaires and the Special Form for Conscientious Objectors. We find, however, that in some cases this information has never reached the registrant; in other cases, after it has reached him, he has ignored it; and when the time has come for him to fill out his Questionnaire or Special Form for Conscientious Objectors, he has filled them out wrongly. He has made his claim for exemption, not from combatant service, which would be in accordance with the instruction of the denomination and its historic non-combatant stand, but for exemption from non-combatant service, which puts him in a totally different classification under the draft.

As an illustration of what I mean, here is the case of a Seventh-day Adventist, married, with four children, who would be entitled to classification in Class 3-A. It is not likely that he would ever be called to army service in that classification. But either through lack of knowledge or some other cause, without meaning to do so, he has made out his claim on the Special Form for Conscientious objectors for exemption from non-combatant service instead of exemption from combatant service.

Now it so happens that the members of selective service boards, all of whom serve voluntarily, are not always informed about their own duties and are not as acquainted with selective service regulations as they should be. It happens also that in some areas of the United States there exists a positive prejudice against the claim of conscientious objection to war, and members of selective service boards are not any more free from this than other people in these areas. Therefore, either from lack of information and acquaintance with their duties, or from prejudice, a man who claims to be a conscientious objector is sometimes handled with scant courtesy.

The selective service regulations require that in classifying conscientious objectors, all other claims for deferment

shall be considered first, before any consideration is given to the claim on the grounds of conscientious objection. The language of regulation 363 of the selective service regulation is: "In the case of any registrant who claims to be a conscientious objector, the local board shall proceed in the ordinary course to classify him upon all other grounds of deferment and shall investigate and pass upon his claim as a conscientious objector only if, after physical examination, but for such claim, he would have been placed in Class 1-A, Class 1-B, Class 1-D, or Class 1-E."

There are two classes of conscientious objectors, and sometimes selective service boards do not discriminate between them. One class is conscientious objectors opposed to combatant service only. The other class is conscientious objectors opposed to combatant and non-combatant service. Unless the registrant himself is careful in making his claim, he may not provide sufficient information for a selective service board to classify him properly. Then he is likely to be placed in Class 4-E, as an absolute conscientious objector.

If selective service boards proceed to classify conscientious objectors in accordance with instructions in the selective service regulations, they would put all men entitled to deferment on the grounds of dependency in Class 3-A, and then it is not likely they would ever be disturbed. In the case to which we have referred (a man who was fully entitled to be put in Class 3-A because of a wife and four children who are entirely dependent upon his earnings, but who claimed exemption from both combatant and non-combatant service), this man was placed in Class 4-E, and in that classification is subject to call, and will be called and sent to a conscientious objectors' camp to spend one year in work of national importance under civilian direction. If he had been rightly classified, he would not be called at all.

Men wrongly classified have five days for an appeal from their classification. This is to be lengthened to ten days. Appeal boards are connected with all selective service boards, through which these appeals are to be made. Even when the appeal board refuses to reclassify such a man wrongly classified, there is still an appeal to the President of the United States.

There is no reason why Seventh-day Adventists should not make these appeals when they are wrongly classified. They should not submit to wrong classification, and when selective service boards make mistakes in classifying men, they should

undo these mistakes and classify them properly.

We believe that mistakes of this nature are not so likely to occur if careful attention is given to following the instructions which have been sent out to help our men make out their claim for exemption from combatant service. These instructions are contained in two leaflets, which can be obtained without charge. They are called, "Filling Out the Special Form for Conscientious Objectors," and "Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government."

These leaflets have been sent out to all the Conferences in the United States. They should have been distributed to all the churches. If they have not been placed within your reach, you can obtain them by writing to your Conference headquarters. If the Conference has no supply, it can obtain a supply by writing to the General Conference Commission on National Service and Medical Cadet Training, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

Carlyle B. Haynes, Secretary
Commission on National Service and Medical Cadet Training.

OUR NEW CHURCH HYMNAL

J. M. Steeves

Educational and Young People's Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the Southern Asia Division

My estimate of the new hymnal is that it surpasses our fondest hopes. This may seem to be an extravagant statement, and yet as one who has felt the great need for such a contribution to the music of our divine services, to see how perfectly this new publication has met our expectations, I cannot resist expressing my appreciation and approval.

There is a uniformity of style throughout which is very appealing,—no verses below the score, no irregular type of variance whatsoever,—a pleasant change indeed. The printing is plain and legible and not crowded between scores, but open and comfortably spaced, making it easy to read in any light or position. One is struck by the boldness of the serial numbers. This will, no doubt, prove to be an asset in being able to find the desired place readily.

Great thought and care has been devoted to some details which do not ordinarily appear in hymn books, but which add to its convenience and usefulness. To mention one—the phrasing of the hymns is indicated throughout by a bold bar,

suggesting the proper place to breathe and break into a line for this purpose. If used properly, this facility will minimize the current, ludicrous way we phrase some of our hymns.

The book is departmentalized, that is, all hymns and songs of a similar character are grouped together, making it easy to find the appropriate selection. It will also serve as a suggestion to some who are prone to choose songs and ditties for the dignified church service to refrain from that habit.

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THE JOURNEY'S END

Rathburn—Mr. C. Charles Rathburn was born in Burns, Shiawassee Co., Michigan July 19, 1862, and died at the Mount-ain Sanitarium, Fletcher N. C., September 11, 1941.

Brother Rathburn was born in the message and was baptized at the age of 17 by Elder C. W. Stone and joined the Battle Creek Tabernacle church.

In 1885 he married Mary C. Houghtaling, of Palmetto, Florida, whose parents were among the first Sabbath keepers in Florida.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, a brother, a sister, his sons' wife who lived with them, a granddaughter, and a great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted in the Hendersonville S.D.A., church by Elder A. J. Clark assisted by Elder E. L. Sheldon.

A. J. Clark

Dortch—Levi Witt Dortch was born in Springville, Tennessee, May, 1871, and was called to rest by the Life-giver at his home in Tampa, Florida, October 1, 1941.

The Dortch family was among the earliest adherents to the message in the Southland, and our brother,—"Buddy" Dortch as he was known to his host of friends—remained true to the message to the end.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife whom he married a few years ago, and her two daughters, Mrs. Harry Sorenson and Mrs. George Randolph; two brothers, T. W. Dortch of Paris, Tennessee, and John Dortch of Keene, Texas, and a number of other relatives.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, and the remains were shipped to Springville, Tennessee, for their final resting place.

M. E. Chapman

Stivers—Mrs. Frances Stivers, the mother of Mrs. Mary Wallace, of Lockport, Ky., was born August 29, 1867 and passed away September 1, 1941, at Lockport, Ky. She leaves to mourn her passing, four children, thirteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She fell asleep in hope of the resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer and she was laid to rest at Madison, Indiana.

J. C. Klose

Newman—Mrs. J. L. Newman was born Jan. 15, 1887 and died at the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 4, 1941. She was brought to Asheville, N. C., and buried beside her husband who preceded her in death two years ago.

She leaves to mourn three children, Margaret, Leslie and Clarence, also one sister, four brothers, six nieces, and eight nephews.

Funeral services were conducted in the Asheville church of which she had been a member for over twenty-five years.

A. J. Clark

Simpson—Mrs. Nannie B. Simpson was born in Greeneville, Tennessee, April 16, 1875 and died Friday, September 19, 1941, at Morristown, Tennessee, in the blessed hope of eternal life in Christ Jesus. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burgin. She was married to Arthur Simpson, March 25, 1894. To this union were born seven children, four sons and three daughters. Sister Simpson was converted early in life and united with the Baptist church, but in the year 1911 she heard the third angel's message preached by Elder Maynard, and accepted it in its fulness. Funeral services were conducted in the Friendly Methodist church by Elder J. F. Crichlow, assisted by Pastor Philip Morgan.

Straight—Gilbert Grant Straight was born in Vandalia, Illinois, February 29, 1864, and passed away in Seminole, Florida, September 16, 1941. He was a staunch and faithful Seventh-day Adventist, having been a member for fifty-six years.

He leaves a widow, Ella Straight; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Tice of Lincoln, Nebraska; and three sons, Alfred, Ray and Henry Straight, all of St. Petersburg, Florida, together with many friends to mourn his loss. The writer conducted the funeral service.

S. Horton McLennan

Ficarrotta—Mrs. Violet Ficarrotta was born in Port Tampa, Florida, and died October 1, 1941 in Tampa, Florida.

Those who mourn her passing are her husband, Joseph Ficarrotta; her mother, Mrs. A. J. Falck; three sisters, Mrs. C. T. Swinson, Mrs. E. L. Pierce, both of Tampa, and Mrs. T. M. Niern of Orlando, Fla. two brothers, Harry C. and Carl J. Falck of Cleveland, Ohio and many other relatives.

The service was in charge of the writer, and our sister was laid to rest in the beautiful Myrtle Hill Cemetery at Tampa, Florida.

M. E. Chapman

Ernst—Mrs. Elizabeth Ernst, a member of the Covington, Ky., church, passed away September 23, 1941, at the age of eighty-three years. About eighteen years ago Sister Ernst, together with her two daughters living in Covington—Mrs. Earl and Mrs. Vernor Grant and her son-in-law, Mr. Vernor Grant, joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in Covington. Besides the two daughters mentioned she leaves to mourn her loss another daughter, Mabel Marshall, living in Buffalo, N. Y., where the final services were held and she was buried. The funeral services in Covington were conducted by the writer assisted by Brother C. W. Brooks.

J. C. Klose

Santo—Mrs. Laura Santo, age 82, laid down life's burdens, and went quietly to rest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marion Chase, Orlando, Florida.

Sister Santo heard the third angel's message through an effort conducted by Elder C. B. Haynes in Jacksonville twenty-seven years ago.

Sister Santo leaves three daughters, Mrs. Anderson, of Dominican Republic, Mrs. Marion Chase of Orlando, Fla., and Mrs. W. E. Shedd of Jacksonville, Fla. There are also five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

We laid our sister to rest hopeful in the promise, "When He, who is our life shall appear then shall we also appear with Him in glory."

F. C. Webster

Jones—Mrs. S. K. Jones fell asleep August 1, 1941, and was laid to rest in the Jennings Lake Cemetery, August 2, 1941.

Sister Jones was a faithful member of the Jennings Lake Seventh-day Adventist church until death. Funeral services were held by Elder C. B. Stephenson. Many friends and relatives were present.

Witty—Ella Ann Witty was born on June 15, 1861, in Burlington, Vermont, and died at the Jackson Memorial Hospital on September 24, 1941. Sister Witty had been a member of the Miami Temple for over thirty years, and a faithful member of the Dorcas Society.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. Interment was at the Miami City Cemetery.

C. R. Gibbs

SPECIAL NOTICE

November one is the Sabbath set aside by the General Conference as the day when our Colporteur work is to be presented in our local churches. A special program has been arranged in the November number of the *Church Officers Gazette*, for that day.

SECONDARY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

It is a policy of the Southern Union Conference to hold an institute for the teachers in our secondary schools biennially. This is the year for the holding of such an institute.

The date is November 28, evening, to December 1, noon. The place, Southern Southern Junior College.

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C. A. Russell, *Educational Secretary*
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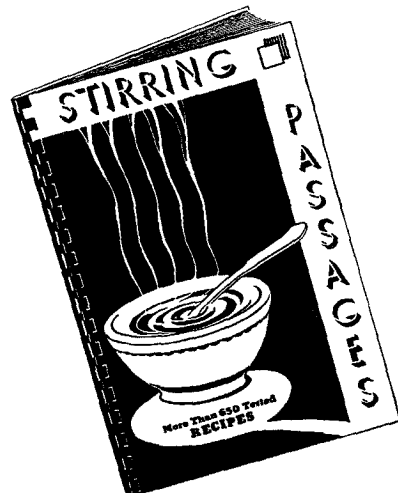
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CHURCH HYMNAL

(Continued from page 13)

To me the first part of the book is especially appealing. There we find, in appropriate groups, hymns of adoration and praise, those for the opening of worship, those for its close. There are morning hymns and evening hymns. There are subsections devoted to God the Father, Jesus Christ, The Holy Spirit, The Gospel, The Christian Life, The Church and Doctrine. These hymns are designed and chosen to be appropriate in every way to the sacred music which should find its way into the Sabbath service. The hymns are simple, reverent, and yet possess a grandeur and majesty about them becoming to the worship of God.

In their appropriate place we have the Sabbath school songs and music for various special occasions, easy to find, and very fitting when found.

There are, of course, many new hymns and many old church hymns included in this volume not to be found in any of our

former publications. This is a distinct recommendation for the book. Many of the songs of previous volumes conspicuous by their absence here bear eloquent testimony to the improved character of this book.

By a proper use of the new hymnal, church leaders may have the opportunity to distinguish easily between a hymn and an ordinary sacred song. The organization of the book makes this very easy.

This hymnal is distinctly "Adventist." It has an advent ring in most of its numbers. Many old advent hymns are included, reminiscent of the early days of this movement.

And so as one who genuinely appreciates the new production, I pronounce it a distinct success. Our publishers have spared nothing, apparently, to bring this book out in as many styles of binding and paper as there are tastes. They range from the cheap cloth edition within the reach of all to the special de luxe edition with Bible to match to attract the most fastidious. Our instrumentalists will much appreciate the bindings especially designed to lie open flat on the music rack.

Let us rally to the support of the new hymnal. It should be found in every home, church, and institution. Let us learn its new hymns and, if necessary, for some years to come hold special song services to acquaint ourselves and our congregations with the new "Church Hymnal."

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A FRUITFUL LAND

(The following article will give the reader a glimpse of some of the needs in the South African Union, the field to which the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath offering will go at the end of this quarter.—Editor.)

It was my privilege to accompany Elder H. M. Sparrow on the last trip he made among the villages of Nyasaland, before proceeding to his new field of labour in Tanganyika. Our itinerary took us into the heart of Angoniland, a part of Nyasaland in which we had little work up to within very recent years. More than thirty years ago, two of our workers walked more than a 1,000 miles through this seeking for an entrance for our work. Wherever they went, they found the schools planted by other societies in every village. But about six years ago, the paramount chief of this country became greatly interested in our work and used his influence in our behalf. As a result, we have a mission station now at Lake View, high up in the Angoniland hills, overlooking the Central Nyasaland

**SPIRIT OF PROPHECY
 READING PROGRAM**

Assignment for Forty-Third Week,
 October 19-25

VOLUME: "Patriarchs and Prophets"
 "The Annual Feasts"—Concluded
 "The Earlier Judges"

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THE COLPORTEUR EVANGELIST

I. M. Evans - - - Union Field Secretary
 Report for week ending Oct. 11

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TOTALS		315	388.97	545.25
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Mrs. Case	BR	8		30.00
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Mrs. Lundgren	BML		9.00	9.00

SUNSET TABLE

Friday, Oct. 17

Atlanta, Ga.,	4:58
Charlotte, N. C.,	5:47
Chattanooga, Tenn.,	5:04
Memphis, Tenn.,	5:24
Meridian, Miss.,	5:17
Nashville, Tenn.,	5:10
Orlando, Fla.,	5:54

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Oct. 25 TIDINGS
 Nov. 1 Local Expense

Pastors and Church Elders:

Announcement should be made each week at the Sabbath morning service of the purpose of the offering to be taken.

valley, with the blue waters of lake Nyasa sparkling in the distance.

Day after day Elder Sparrow drove his car from school to school in this area. Arriving about noon, he would inspect the school in the afternoon, and in the evening the people of the surrounding area would gather in the school house, or outside if that should prove too small, to see the wonderful pictures from the Bible stories and hear the gospel message.

One day we came to the village of the Native Authority George. In this village, we had an unusually good school under one of our teachers, Hector. The teacher had two individuals awaiting baptism. Usually the converts from the various village schools go once a year to the camp meeting, where they are baptized after examination. But from this village there were two, who being cripples, had not been able to go to Lake View that year. Would Elder Sparrow and the African pastor please examine them? Elder Sparrow was glad to do this, and in the afternoon, hundreds of people from the surrounding villages gathered at the waterside to witness baptism by immersion; probably the first time the majority of them had ever seen the rite of baptism so administered.

I have just received a report from Pastor Roman who has charge of this area. He tells of visiting a village not far from Hector's school. The headman of this village, plead with him to send them a teacher. He said to our pastor, "Will you please go back to your home, and appeal to your missionary superintendent to send me a teacher, that he may teach my people in this village?" Pastor Roman continues: "As he looked up so earnestly into my face this time, it touched my heart. Then I said, "Yes, I will. I will plead your case before the elders, and see if they are willing to take this burden upon their hearts and send you a teacher if it is at all possible."

And so in about six weeks, when our field committee meets to consider the distribution of labour for the coming year, this request will be laid before us. And there will be similar requests from Luwazi, from Mwami, from Tekerani, from Cin-yama and many other places. What we shall be able to answer at that time, we do not know now. Perhaps it may be that we shall have to say "No, not now!" If this is the case, we shall tell them to urge the chiefs and people to be patient a little longer. We shall tell them that our Sabbath schools all over the world will be thinking about them, praying for them, and giving for them on Sabbath, December 27. And if they think about them enough, pray for them enough, and give for them

enough, perhaps the year 1942 may see the kindling of more lights in distant villages of this promising field.

V. E. Robinson

HARVEST INGATHERING TACT

A lay brother, engaged in Harvest Ingathering work called upon the owner of the largest clothing store in a city of 40,000 people. After a flat refusal to donate anything, the merchant ended up with the remark, "Anyhow, you are doing nothing here in our city as far as mission work is concerned."

Now that was an objection hard to meet, but the Harvest Ingatherer was not to be so easily put off. Apparently dropping the matter, he asked: "Do you know a man by the name of Quiraga?"

"I do," was the answer.

"Have you known him very long?" the worker asked.

"Yes, for years," came the prompt response.

"Was he once a bad fellow?" asked the visitor.

"He surety was," replied the man being interviewed.

"Is he still a bad fellow?" queried the worker once more.

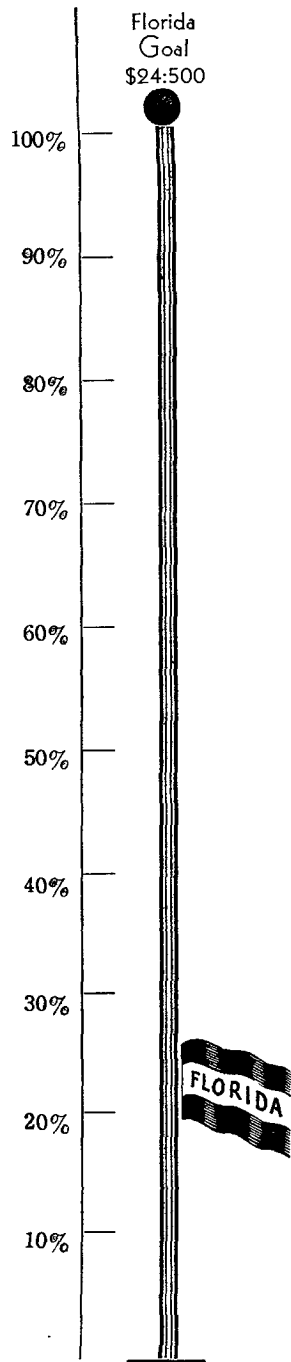
"No," said the business man, "he is not. He is now a good man."

"Well," said our brother, "he is now an Adventist; and that is why he is so changed."

Without another question the shopkeeper said, "You have convinced me." And then he gave our worker a good donation to our work. But that is not the end of the story. That very merchant is now taking Bible studies, and is very much interested in the truth.—Selected.

INGATHERING

Into a tiny cottage,
Pausing to leave a smile,
Now to a stately mansion,
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"Enough may be understood concerning both the origin and final disposition of sin, to make fully manifest the justice and benevolence of God in all His dealings with evil."—*"Great Controversy,"* p 492.

"God's work in our world is to be carried forward. Faithful stewards are to place the Lord's money in His treasury, that workers may be sent to all parts of the world. The church here below is to serve God with self-denial and sacrifice. Thus the work is to be carried forward and the most glorious triumphs won."—*"Testimonies,"* Vol. 9, p. 59.